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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: 31 JUL 1964

SUBJECT: Parking Lot on Bureau of Public Roads Property

PARTICIPANTS: BPR: Mr. Rex M. Whitton, Federal Highway Administrator
Mr. Lawrence S. Casazza, Director of Administration
Mr. George Williams, Director of Engineering and Operations

STATINTL

CIA: Colonel L. K. White, Deputy Director for Support
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1. On 30 July 1964 [redacted] and I called on Mr. Rex Whitton to request a use permit for additional Bureau of Public Roads property to provide an additional 1,000 parking spaces for Agency personnel.

2. We thanked Mr. Whitton for his past cooperation, outlined our master plan for the development of our Langley property, and requested his permission to use a few acres of BPR property adjacent to the West Parking Lot for the additional parking lot.

3. Mr. Whitton was cordial but at the same time very blunt and adamant in his position that he would consider such a request only if we agreed to vacate the Matomic Building so that he could consolidate the BPR downtown offices in that location. He reminded us that despite his past cooperation we had declined to do this. We told Mr. Whitton that we were very sympathetic to his problem and had no real objection to moving out of the Matomic Building provided other equivalent downtown office space could be made available to accommodate the units now in the Matomic Building. We further pointed out that we have a much bigger problem than this and that we are pressing the General Services Administration as hard as possible to solve it for us. Mr. Whitton refused to accept these assertions with any degree of seriousness and said frankly that he thought we weren't trying very hard. We agreed to arrange a meeting with the Commissioner of the Public Buildings Service to discuss the over-all problem.

4. I am not very optimistic that GSA can find other space for us, and even if they did the cost of the move might be prohibitive. I think that it is to our advantage, however,

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to discuss the problem with them. At least there is some faint possibility that, if Mr. Whitton becomes satisfied that we are willing to move if other space can be made available, he might relent from his present firm position of no more BPR property for CIA unless BPR gets something in return.

Signed

L. K. White
Deputy Director
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